

strong deterrant of physical punishment, are among the difficulties suggested. These difficulties lie in the depravity of human nature, and their suggestion brings us back to the necessity of a regeneration, a making over, as the essential basis of any sort of righteousness, either personal or communal, whether it be good faith, an honest purpose, the love of our neighbor, or peace among nations.

An effort was recently made to secure a statutory agreement between England and America, the two most Christian and most civilized nations of the world, to arbitrate all future differences. The effort signally failed. It was found impossible thus to secure the basis of unbroken peace between two such nations, superior in all the moral virtues and in all the manly elements which make a people great, two nations moreover so nearly akin, speaking the same language and possessing parallel lines of interest at every point of contact, what shall we say of the proposition when it concerns nations diverse in interests, in language, in religion, in purpose, in culture, in moral ideals, and consequently alien at every point of contact. We fear that the world's disarmament is not intended for the eyes of this generation.

Take Aim

The deadliest and most dreaded foe in battle is the sharpshooter. The ordinary soldier in the ranks fires at the mass, often without aim, and as a result ninety per cent of the leaden missiles of death go wild, and pass harmless over the heads of men. He fights as one beating the air.

But the deadly sharpshooter steals upon his man, marks his man, takes a steady and sure aim, smites him with sure death, and thus goes on all the day, repeating his ghastly but effective service of war.

In all our affairs, temporal, moral and spiritual, we may learn a lesson from the sharpshooter. So many people fire at the mass and hit nothing. Select some object, —a sin to be overcome, a besetment to vanquish, an evil habit to kill, a good work to be accomplished, a service to be performed, a duty to discharge,—get "up to it," mark it well, see that your gun is well loaded, take steady aim, and you will find that one substantial success will follow another with the steadiness and certainty of a mathematical demonstration.

On Finding Christ

Golden Rule.

To find Christ is to lose selfishness and find yourself.

No one ever found Christ that was merely willing that Christ should find him.

You will find Christ through Prayer Gate, by way of Penitence Road, up Pardon Place.

At the end of our journey to Christ, we find that he has been our travelling companion.

Personal Mention

Brother L. S. Bauman reports another accession at Roann, Ind.

Brother Neilson, Conemaugh, is a new correspondent to the EVANGELIST.

Brother George A. Copp, Va., voices the sentiment of the brotherhood as to the Washington mission.

Brother M. C. Myers is doing good work in the Berlin charge. Six accessions at one of his appointments.

The address of J. M. Fox has been changed from North Manchesler, to Cambria, Ind. He takes up the Mount Pleasant work.

After five years' hard work as president of the King's Children Society, Brother Talley hands the work over to his successor, brother W. D. Furry.

It is quite a long while since we heard from the pastor of the Pittsburg church, Brother Darling. He has an interesting communication in this paper.

Many of our readers will remember Brother Huber whose obituary notice appears in this paper. At one time he was professor of languages in Ashland College.

Brother Kimmel reports a collection for missions at that place amounting to \$2 00. Please send all such contributions to Brother Deffenbaugh, Glenford, Ohio.

We are pleased to learn that Brother Nininger has moved to Washington where he is employed by the government. That will strengthen the mission in that city.

We have on hand an obituary for publication, of William D. Mikesell. Will the writer please inform us who and where he is. The notice is without signature or date.

Special attention is called to the correspondence from Dayton, by Brother Copp, the pastor. Send the names and addresses to him. It will be helpful to him in his work.

Friday, September 9, brother C. F. Yoder left Warsaw for his Kansas home where he began meeting at Pony Creek, Sunday, September 11. He reports a number of accessions at Warsaw.

We have interesting news from Brother Lyon in this issue. It ought to be clear to the Brethren church that the thing to do and to do at once, is to build a house of worship in Washington City.

Brother I. D. Bowman writes, "Three more added since our last report. One by relation to Allentown mission, one by relation to our home church, and one by baptism to our Jersey mission, for all of which we praise God."

Brother Yoder will continue his notes on the young people's Bible topic, while Brother Furry will keep the work of the young people before the church. The success of that department in the EVANGELIST is therefore assured.

Brother J. L. Bowman enters the Senior year in the Bible department of Juniata college, this year. In renewing his subscription he says, "I need the inspiring pages of the EVANGELIST. They have always been helpful to me."

We are glad to introduce to our readers a new contributor in this week's paper, Susie E. Proctor, by name. Her home is in California. She contributes an excellent article on, "How to have a happy home." We hope to hear from her again.

Sister Mary A. Snyder, Glover's Gap, Va., in renewing her subscription to the EVANGELIST, says, "My paper expires next month, but I never like to have any one wait on me for what is due them. So I now send it while I have it." That spirit among all the readers of the EVANGELIST would save much trouble and expense.

Brother D. Baily expresses himself very freely and pointedly on the "Prayer Covering" in this

issue. Whatever opinion others may hold on that question, our own views are clearly expressed in the article referred to. It is a common sense view, and does no violence to the teaching of the inspired Word; it harmonizes with it.

The excellent paper on the "Power of a Consecrated Life," by Sister Detwiler was prepared for the sisters' session at the National Conference, and in her absence was read by another. It appears in the Sisters' department this week. Four or five other papers were read, and Sister Perry promises to send one each week until all have been published.

On a postal card dated, Lexington, Ky., Sept. 9, 1898, Brother Haskins writes: "Have made my second trip since Conference for sick soldiers here. The first trip I came alone, took six home. This trip was sent by the Board of Trade and to accompany the Mayor of Johnstown. We leave tomorrow with seventy-five sick men in three Pullman cars."

Brother W. D. Furry, now president of the King's Children Society, has prepared and sent to this office the copy for next year's topic cards. One study will be given each month to the doctrines peculiar to the Brethren church. The year begins Sunday, Oct. 2, and the cards will be ready to mail for use on that day. Already orders have been received, and they will be filled as soon as the cards are ready.

We should have made mention a few weeks ago of a new contributor to the EVANGELIST, Mrs. Susan Teller by name. She is the mother of Miss Ruby C. Teller. Mrs. Teller gave her heart to God when very young. Of late her church privileges have been very much limited. She is a devoted Christian, and if associated with some congregation, would be an enthusiastic and helpful worker. May we hear from her again.

The following personal notice from Brother Holsinger should have appeared in last week's paper: This afternoon, Aug. 29, we expect to start on an overland trip to Bedford and Blair counties, on a visit of pleasure and recreation, and do not intend to return for about one month. Correspondence addressed to Berlin, Pa., will reach us, but I shall not be able to answer any letters until after our return, as I can only write on the machine. My health scarcely justifies leaving home, but my friends hope the trip may do me good. If so the EVANGELIST readers may hear from me on our return. The Lord bless all good people, and every good cause and work.

Living Sweetly Under Trials

"Many of us find life hard and full of pain," says Rev. J. R. Miller. "The world uses us rudely and roughly. We suffer wrongs and injuries. Other people's clumsy feet tread upon our tender spirits. We must endure misfortunes, trials, disappointments. We cannot avoid these things, but we should not allow the harsh experiences to deaden our sensibilities or make us stoical or sour. The problem of living is to keep our hearts sweet and gentle in the hardest conditions and experiences."

"If you remove the snow from the hillside in the late winter, you will find sweet flowers growing there beneath the cold drifts, unhurt by the storm and by the snowy blankets that have covered them. So should we keep our hearts tender and sensitive beneath life's fiercest winter blasts, and through the longest years of suffering, and even of injustice and wrong treatment. That is true, victorious living."

None ever have been so good and so great, or have raised themselves so high, as to be above the reach of troubles. Our Lord was "a man of sorrows."—Sibbs.